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Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

**‘Sec. 1. 3 MRSA §1, 2nd ¶**, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 481, is amended to read:

The Tribal Clerk of the Penobscot Indian Nation shall, on or before the day preceding the meeting of the Legislature, furnish to the Clerk of the preceding House of Representatives a certification, under the seal of the Nation, of the name and residence of the Representative-elect of the Penobscot Indian Nation to the Legislature. The Tribal Clerk of the Passamaquoddy Tribe of the reservation from which the Representative-elect of that tribe has been chosen shall, on or before the day preceding the meeting of the Legislature, furnish the Clerk of the preceding House of Representatives a certification of the name and residence of the Representative-elect of the Passamaquoddy Tribe to the Legislature. Beginning with the 125th Legislature, the Tribal Clerk of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians shall, on or before the day preceding the meeting of the Legislature, furnish to the Clerk of the preceding House of Representatives a certification of the name and residence of the Representative-elect of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians to the Legislature.

**Sec. 2. 3 MRSA §2**, as amended by PL 2003, c. 691, §1 and affected by §2, is further amended by adding after the 8th paragraph a new paragraph to read:

Beginning with the 125th Legislature, the member of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians elected to represent the band at the Legislature is entitled to receive a salary equal to the salary of members of the Senate and the House of Representatives, including a cost-of-living adjustment, for each regular session and allowance for meals, constituent service, housing and travel expenses to the same extent as members of the House of Representatives for attendance at each legislative session or authorized committee meeting. For the duration of any special session of the Legislature, the member is entitled to receive the same per diem payment and allowances, including housing, meal and travel expenses, as any member of the Senate and House of Representatives.

**Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

**LEGISLATURE**

**Legislature 0081**

Initiative: Provides funding for the costs associated with an additional tribal representative.

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>2009-10</b>	<b>2010-11</b>
Personal Services	\$0	\$33,806
All Other	\$0	\$9,125
<b>GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$42,931</b>

## **SUMMARY**

This amendment replaces the bill.

This amendment requires the Tribal Clerk of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians to furnish the outgoing Clerk of the House of Representatives with a certification of the name and residence of the Representative-elect of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians to the Legislature.

This amendment adds the Representative of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians to the compensation language for members of the House of Representatives.

The changes take effect in time for the convening of the 125th Legislature in December 2010.

The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

## **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

**(See attached)**